

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s) : Meier, et al..  
 Serial Number : 10/589,715  
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 For : METHOD FOR PRODUCING ALKYL LITHIUM  
 COMPOUNDS AND ARYL COMPOUNDS BY  
 MONITORING THE REACTION BY MEANS OF IR-  
 SPECTROSCOPY

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Commissioner for Patents  
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May 23, 2008

**REQUEST FOR NEW OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

The office action of May 23, 2008, improperly references claims 1-23 in the Section  
 103 rejection of claims, since claims 10-19 are pending.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner issue a new office action  
 referencing the proper claims and resetting the time period for response so that Applicants  
 can respond as appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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